



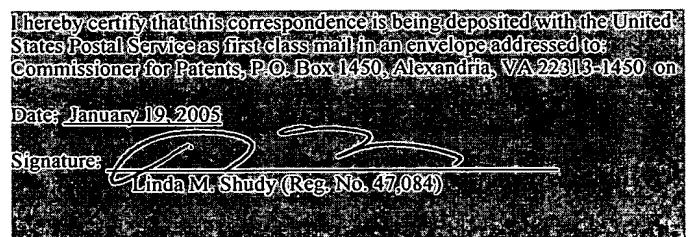
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DIVISION MULTIPLEX NETWORKS FOR USE IN
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TRANSFER

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 19, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.